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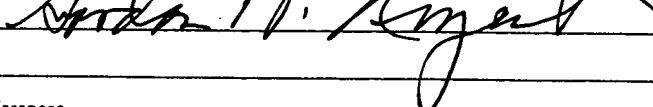
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Sir:

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Kowssari spares the consumer the checkout-counter lifting work, but at an unacceptable cost. The cart's capacity is reduced, and the store is required to rebuild its checkout counters. Another attempt at reducing checkout-counter labor appears in Flier. His vibrating slide returns merchandise to the side-wall-dropped cart, a costly solution. The cart's usual knee-level merchandise floor remains unimproved here. The smallest of cart capacities appears in Kitagawa.

Very respectfully,

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		POLSTEINS Super Shopping Cart photo and text description, printed out from CatalogCity.com reference to Polsteins.com internet website on March 11, 2004.	
		BAG BOY Model C-5 golf cart perspective drawing and parts list, sold with this relatively widely-sold commercial product available in the U.S. market during 2003.	

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